

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 960

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 20, 2015

RE: S.B. No. 717
S.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which
was referred S.B. No. 717, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ETHANOL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to repeal the requirement that
gasoline sold in Hawaii for use in motor vehicles contain ten
percent ethanol.

Aloha Shell Service and two concerned individuals supported
the measure. The Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, DuPont,
Growth Energy, and Bioenergy Associates LLC testified in
opposition. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and
Tourism; Chevron; POET Biofuel; Biotechnology Industry
Organization; and Grassroot Institute of Hawaii submitted
comments.

Your Committee respectfully requests that the issue of
whether the repeal of the ethanol requirement will save money for
Hawaii consumers should be considered.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to
this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and
purpose of S.B. No. 717, S.D. 2, and recommends that it pass
Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SB717 SD2 HSCR EEP HMS 2015-2645



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy &
Environmental Protection,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



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| Bill/Resolution No.: SB 717, SD 2 | Committee Referral: EEP, TRN, CPC | Date: 3/17/15 | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) | | | | |
| EEP Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. LEE, Chris (C) | ✓ | | | |
| 2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC) | ✓ | | | |
| 3. CULLEN, Ty J.K. | ✓ | | | |
| 4. EVANS, Cindy | ✓ | | | |
| 5. ING, Kaniela | ✓ | | | |
| 6. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. | ✓ | | | |
| 7. SAY, Calvin K.Y. | | | | ✓ |
| 8. YAMANE, Ryan I. | | | | ✓ |
| 9. POUHA, Feki | ✓ | | | |
| 10. THIELEN, Cynthia | ✓ | | | |
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| TOTAL (10) | 8 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Nicole E. Lowen</u> | | | | |
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